



Rural Health
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



North Carolina Medical, Dental, and Psychiatric Provider Placements and Shortage Designation

2017 Profile (Data from State Fiscal Year 2017 and current as of 6/30/2017)

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Grant Facts

\$4.3M

Secured state and federal loan repayments for providers

\$1.6M

Grant funding appropriated from General Assembly

\$110K

Funding from Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust

65 FTEs

Health care professionals supported through State Loan Repayment Incentives

791

Healthcare professionals and sites provided with technical assistance related to National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program

\$54M

Economic impact generated from the placed providers

94%

Of placements were in either a geographic, population, or facility Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA)

7.9

Average number of years providers placed in rural or underserved areas anticipate staying at their current practice site (based on 'Practice Sights' End of Year and End of Contract questionnaire data reporting period 1/1/2010 to 6/30/2017)

Overview:

The Office of Rural Health (ORH) recruits primary care physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, dentists, dental hygienists, psychiatrists, and other mental health providers to practices that serve rural and underserved populations across the state. ORH seeks to make compatible matches based on the needs of the community as well as the provider. ORH works with state and federal governments as well as local communities to identify shortage areas of primary medical care, dental, or mental health providers. These areas are designated as Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs), making them eligible to qualify for federal funding and services.

Return On Investment and Economic Impact

MPS Expenditures

\$2,305,015

Created Economic Impact

\$1,903,724

Total Impact

\$4,208,739

Generates
32
additional jobs
from the economic
impact



\$143,130

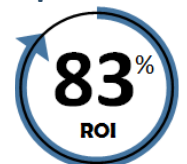
Generated in
state and local
taxes which
goes back into
the local and
state economy

\$1,964,867

In employee
compensation impacted
from the grant

Each MPS grant dollar has a total economic impact of

\$1.83

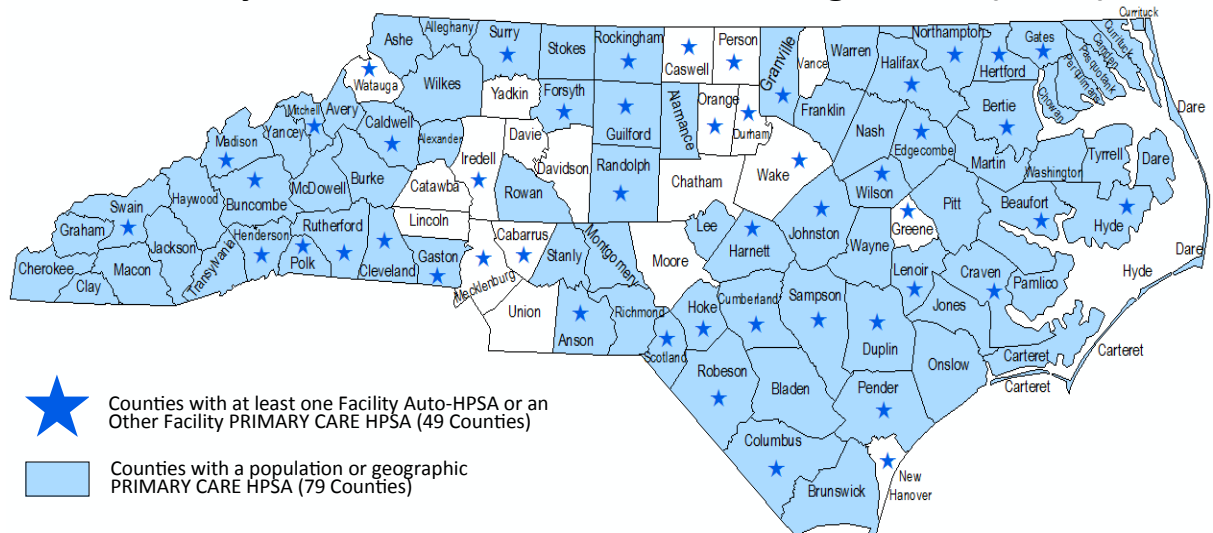


*Economic return is estimated to be much greater because improved health outcomes can lead to fewer missed work days, reduced health care costs, and reduced premature morbidity and mortality. Some expenses such as out of state purchases, overhead, and rollover payments are not captured for ROI and economic impact.

Importance:

In many North Carolina communities, there are barriers to primary health care due to a lack of health professionals and the necessary resources to support health care delivery. ORH received State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) funding from the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) and from the Kate B. Reynolds Foundation to extend loan repayment to mental health therapists recruited to work in integrated care settings within HPSAs.

Primary Care Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA)



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Technical Assistance

539 Activities in
61 Counties

Provided by ORH Staff

**Support
Recruitment
And
Retention**

261 Activities

**Training
Sessions**

6 Activities

**HPSA
Submissions**

113 Activities

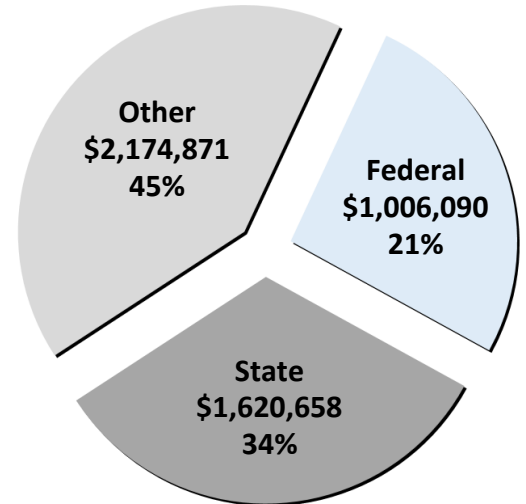
**HPSA
Reviews**

154 Activities

**Other
Activities**

5 Activities

Total Program Funding*



*Estimate based on budget reorganization.
Funding also reflects carry forward from SFY 2016

Program Reach

124

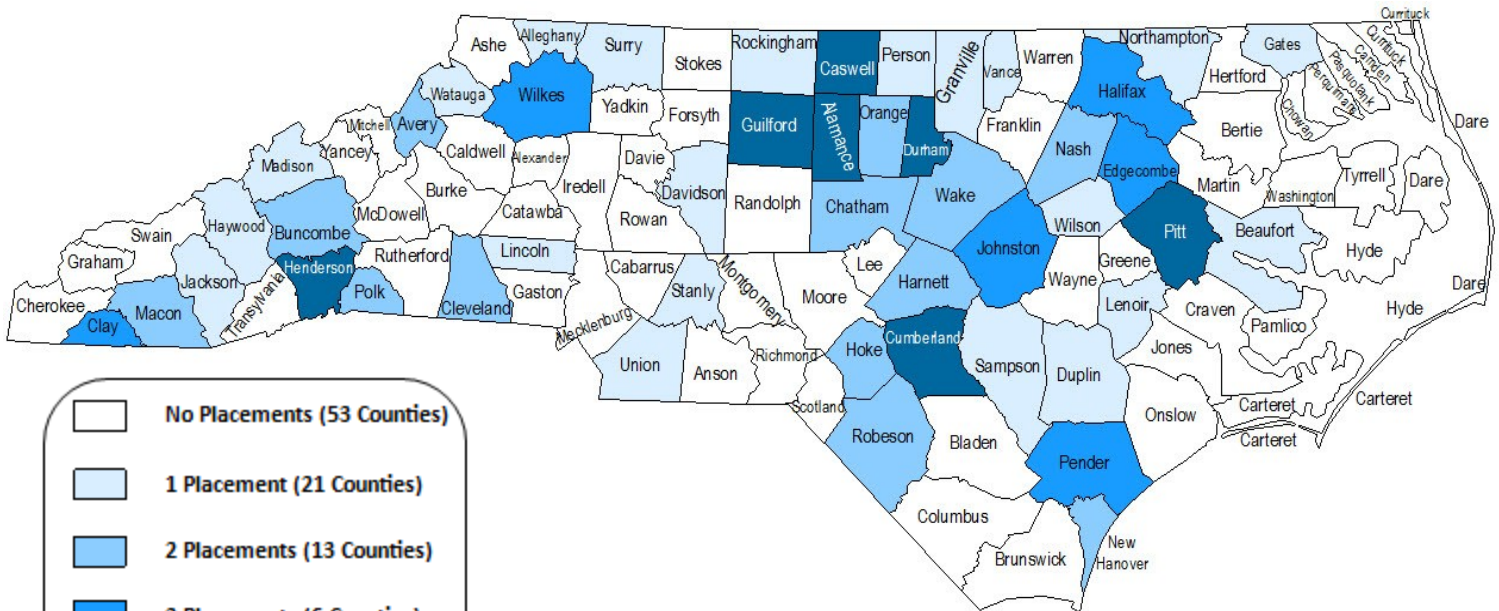
Placements have been made each year
over the last 5 years on average

109

New health professionals were
recruited

67

New providers placed with state
incentive payments



If you have further questions, please contact:
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